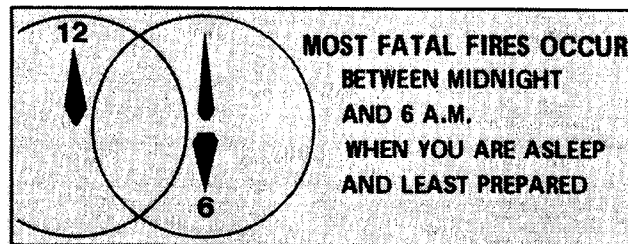


# in a fire seconds count...

heat  
and  
gases  
kill!

Temperatures of 1000 degrees are common in home fires. But most deaths are a result of the deadly smoke and gases that precede these fatal hot temperatures.

In a fire, particularly at night, your family may not get a second chance. Everyone must be prepared through regular home fire drills to use the emergency escape routes instinctively. *Get your family together and discuss:*



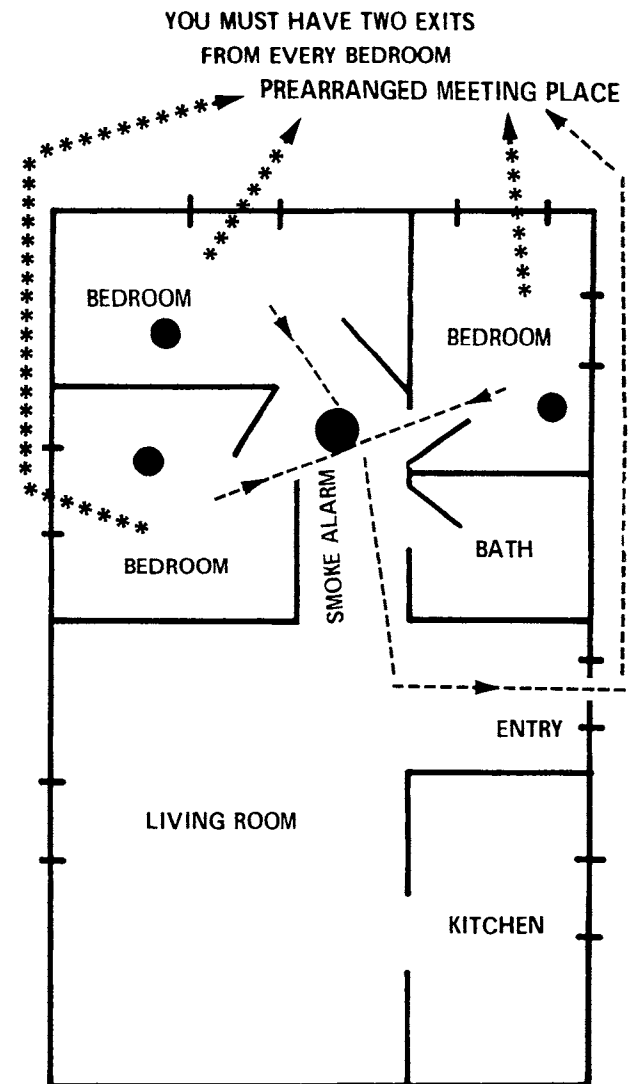
It is recommended that you sleep with your bedroom door closed and install an additional smoke detector in the bedroom.

When you hear the smoke alarm, drop to the floor to get available fresh air. Try to crawl to a safe exit.

Before opening a door, feel it first, if it is hot **DON'T OPEN IT!** Keep the door closed and use another exit such as a window.

Security bars on windows can make a house a death trap. An emergency release must be provided on the inside of bedroom windows.

If trapped in a room, keep the door closed, stay low to the floor, and wait by a window. Don't hide under beds or in closets, seal bottom of door with blankets or clothing to keep smoke out.



**SAMPLE PLAN FOR ONE-STORY HOME**

**SMOKE DETECTOR** ●

**REGULAR ROUTE** -----

**EMERGENCY ROUTE** .....

**SKETCH ON THE REVERSE SIDE A SIMPLE FLOOR PLAN OF YOUR HOME SHOWING ALL EXITS, DOORS AND WINDOWS — USING SYMBOLS SHOWN ...**

**1**

Installation and routine maintenance of approved smoke alarms. Test batteries once a month, change batteries once a year.

**2**

Two exits from each bedroom. A window can be used if the door is blocked by smoke, heat and gases. A rope or chain fire escape ladder can be purchased at many hardware stores. Even a coil of rope can provide an emergency exit from an upstairs room.

**3**

A safe meeting place. When the family has left the home, they should gather and not go back into the burning house. Hot gases and smoke kill.

**4**

Use a neighbor's phone to call the fire department. Dial 911 or make sure you and they have the correct number posted on the telephone.

**5**

Hold regular home fire drills like your children do at school. Drills save lives!

*Smoke Detectors Save Lives!*

**FIRE WON'T WAIT... PLAN YOUR ESCAPE.**



# EDITH

## ***Exit Drills In The Home***

**DAY AND NIGHT - A LIFE  
IS LOST IN A FIRE EVERY 60 MINUTES**

**4,240 PEOPLE DIE YEARLY IN  
THEIR OWN BURNING HOMES**

**2,100 CHILDREN ARE  
KILLED IN HOME FIRES EVERY YEAR**

**A WELL PLACED SMOKE DETECTOR  
MAY SAVE YOU AND YOUR FAMILY**

